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In re Application of:

MANOEL TENORIO

Serial No. **09/895,525**

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For: **ASSOCIATION OF DATA WITH A
PRODUCT CLASSIFICATION
SCHEMA**

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§ Examiner: **TE Y CHEN**
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DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

I, the undersigned, hereby declare and state that:

1. I am over the age of 21 years, of sound mind, and competent in all respects to make this Declaration.

2. I am the sole inventor of the subject matter claimed in the above-referenced Application, entitled *Association of Data With a Product Classification Schema*, filed 28 June 2001.

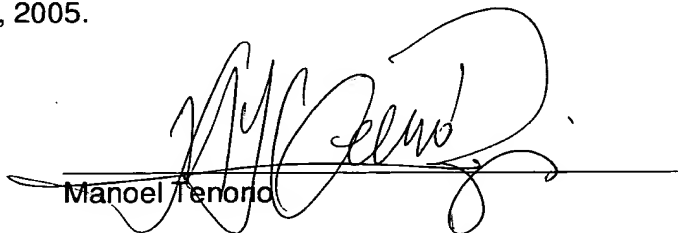
3. The Examiner rejected Claims 1-37 (the "Claims") of the above-referenced Application in an Office Action mailed 23 February 2005, based on U.S. Patent No. 6,708,161, entitled *System and Method for Selective Database Indexing*, filed 22 December 2000, published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0083048 on 27 June 2002, and issued as a U.S. Patent on 16 March 2004.

4. I am a co-inventor of the subject matter claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,708,161 and am the sole inventor of the subject matter which is disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 6,708,161 and claimed in the Claims of the above-referenced Application.

5. In addition to myself, there is one other co-inventor of the subject matter claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,708,161: Mohanasundaram Chinnappan. While this individual is a co-inventor of the subject matter claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,708,161, he is not a co-inventor of the subject matter described therein and claimed in the Claims of the above-referenced Application.

6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. Further, I declare that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the Application or any patent issuing thereon.

Signed this 24 day of May, 2005.


Manoel Tenorio